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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 7 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

1 p.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question*

Other matters

* With a view to a formal meeting.

Monday, 9 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP ON THE BRAHIMI REPORT

10.30 a.m. — closed meeting — Consultation Room

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. — 9th meeting — Conference Room 4

General debate *(continued)*:

Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Iraq
Ecuador
Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Qatar
Mozambique
Nicaragua
Nigeria
Jamaica

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/55/INF.1)]

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [92]

   (d) Science and technology for development (A/55/96-E/2000/84, A/55/413)

   Conclusion of general discussion

2. Operational activities for development [96] (A/55/271)

   Introduction and general discussion

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons [104]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.6

2. Advancement of women [107] (A/55/3, A/55/38, A/55/271, A/55/293, A/55/308, A/55/322, A/55/385, A/55/399, A/55/138-S/2000/693, A/55/162-S/2000/715, A/C.3/55/3 and A/C.3/55/4)

3. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [108] (A/55/341, A/55/74, A/55/162-S/2000/715 and A/C.3/55/4)

   Continuation of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: Letters dated 17 July and 26 September 2000 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/55/2 and A/C.5/55/12))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	13th meeting	Conference Room 3

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [122]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.7**

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* To be issued.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	3rd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-third session [158] (A/55/17)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Results-based budgeting

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (b)
(Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments), will be held on Monday, 9 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Informal consultations on agenda item 179
(Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects)

Informal consultations of interested delegations on agenda item 179 (Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in all its aspects) will be held on Monday, 9 October 2000, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 9 October 2000

GROUP OF 77
(on Second Committee : agenda items 92 (d) and (e) and 96)

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77
(on Second Committee matters)

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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Meetings of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution submitted under agenda item 73 (j) (Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures), organized by the delegation of Germany, on Monday, 9 October 2000, from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution submitted under agenda item 73 (s) (Illicit trafficking in small arms and light weapons), organized by the delegation of South Africa, on Monday, 9 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room E.

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Briefing

The briefing of the World Bank on its latest policy research report entitled "Engendering Development : Through Gender Equality in Rights, Resources, and Voice" will take place on Monday, 9 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of permanent missions, representatives of non-governmental organizations, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Tuesday, 3 October 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 10 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	32nd plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [15 (a)]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 2
4 p.m.-7 p.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	4th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (b)
(Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (b) (Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments), will be held in Conference Room 8 on Tuesday, 10 October, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m., and on Wednesday, 11 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Informal consultations on agenda item 34 (a)
(Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 34 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held in Conference Room 8 on Tuesday, 10 October, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Wednesday, 11 October, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m., and on Thursday, 12 October 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Copies of the draft resolution can be obtained in Room DC2-0458 (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea).

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda item 82 (Effects of atomic radiation) and other related agenda items are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (Room S-2977, tel.: (212) 963-3051), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Panel discussion

The status of the reform of the international financial architecture will be the subject of a panel of experts and an open discussion, hosted by the Second Committee, in support of the General Assembly deliberations on macroeconomic policy questions: financing of development, including the net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries (agenda item 92 (e)), on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

The panel will be chaired by Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania), Chairman of the Second Committee. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, will be the moderator. The panellists will be Mr. Rumman Faruqi, Director, Economic Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat; Ms. Barbara Samuels II, Project Director of the Council on Foreign Relations' Roundtable on Country Risk in the Post Asia-Crisis Era; Ms. Sylvia Saborío, Co-Chair of Overseas Development Council Task Force on "The Future Role of the IMF in Development"; and Mr. Arjun Sengupta, Independent Expert on the Right to Development, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Lecture

The Coordination Office of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) will host a lecture on "Intellectual Property and Development" on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. *in Conference Room 6*. The lecture will be delivered by Mr. Roberto Castelo, Deputy Director-General of WIPO. Members of permanent missions, Secretary staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Cities Without Slums" (agenda item 94 (e)), co-sponsored by the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) (agenda item 94 (e)), the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the World Bank, on Thursday, 12 October 2000, from 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

The panel will be chaired by Mr. Mauricio Escanero (Mexico), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee. Mr. Sarbuland Khan, Director of the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, will be the moderator. The participants will include H.E. Mr. Sergio Vento, Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations; Mayor Hector Silva of San Salvador (El Salvador); Mrs. Anna Kajumulo Tibaijuka, Executive Director of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat); and Ms. Frannie Leautier, Director, Infrastructure Division, World Bank. Members of permanent missions, Secretary staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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The 253rd meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Committee, *inter alia*, will consider the draft resolution entitled "Bethlehem 2000" and its draft annual report to the General Assembly.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal (informal) consultations, under the chairmanship of Mr. Grant Robertson (New Zealand), on item 8 (Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in economic and social fields) will take place on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9, and, if necessary, on Wednesday, 11 October, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room D.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* in Conference Room 5 on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Thursday, 12 October, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(draft resolution on INSTRAW)* on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Informal meetings

There will be an informal meeting on the United Nations standardized instrument for reporting military expenditures, organized by the Department for Disarmament Affairs, on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room A. For further information, please contact Mr. Nazir Kamal (tel.: (212) 963-6195).

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There will be a meeting of interested delegations on the First Committee draft decision on small arms, organized by the delegation of Japan, on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, at 5 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution submitted under agenda item 73 (f) (Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction), organized by the delegations of Mozambique, Nicaragua and Norway, on Wednesday, 11 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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Panel discussion

The International Labour Organization (ILO) will host a discussion on "Gender, Poverty and Employment: An ILO Perspective" on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A. The discussants will be Ms. Youyoun Zhang, Director, Bureau for Gender Equality, and Ms. Amelita King-Dejardin, Employment Specialist, Informal Sector Unit, Skills Development Department, ILO, Geneva. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cindy Berman (tel.: (212) 697-0150, extension 106).

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Briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Special Representative to the United Nations, is organizing a debriefing following the annual meetings of September 2000 of the IMF. The debriefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Wednesday, 18 October 2000, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Forum will be addressed by Her Majesty Queen Sylvia of Sweden, who will present the work of the the World Childhood Foundation. Participants are asked to be seated by 10.45 a.m. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing jointly with the World Trade Organization (WTO) a Workshop on International Trade Negotiations as part of the International Trade Series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held from Wednesday, 18 to Friday, 20 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 11 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Briefings

At the request of interested delegations, Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, will hold an informal briefing on the latest developments in the framework of the Convention and give an update on the preparations for the Fourth Conference of the Parties (Bonn, 11-22 December 2000). The briefing will take place on Thursday, 19 October 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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The briefing to Group of 77 Ambassadors and their experts by the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Mohamed El-Ashry, on the agency's development programme to assist developing countries on the following issues on climate change, biological diversity, desertification and forests: (a) capacity-building; (b) technology transfer; and (c) adaptation, will take place on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Informal meeting of the Parties to the Biological Weapons Convention

The informal meeting of the Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (Biological Weapons Convention) will be held on Wednesday, 11 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The States Parties to the Biological Weapons Convention have been invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 5 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 9th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Friday, 6 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 7th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued the general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Turkey, India, the Holy See, Cuba, the Republic of Korea, Mongolia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Yemen, Sri Lanka and Uruguay.

8th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued the general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Nepal and Kuwait.

SECOND COMMITTEE 8th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [92]

(e) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda item.

The Director, Development Policy Analysis Division, DESA, the Senior Economic Affairs Officer and Chief of the Regional Commissions New York Office and the High Level Expert on Financing, UNCTAD made introductory statements.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), France (on behalf of the European Union, as well as Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, the Czech Republic, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey), Colombia (on behalf of the Rio Group), Norway, Indonesia, Ghana, the Russian Federation, Brazil, Chile, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), New Zealand, Haiti, the United States, China and Egypt.

The representative of the World Bank made a statement.

The Chairman made concluding remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 92 (e).

9th meeting

Macroeconomic policy question [92]

(d) Science and technology for development

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda item.

The Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD, made an introductory statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union, as well as Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, the Czech Republic, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, and also Norway), Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Colombia (on behalf of the Rio Group), Pakistan, Ghana, the Russian Federation, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), Brazil (on behalf of MERCOSUR), India, Belarus, Ukraine, Namibia (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community) and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

THIRD COMMITTEE 13th meeting

Advancement of women [107]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" [108]

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items and heard a statement by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women.

The Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women and the Deputy Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women made introductory statements.

An introductory statement was also made by the Director of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women.

A statement was made by the Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women.

The Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women, the Director of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women and the Deputy Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women responded to questions raised by the representative of Cuba.

Statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union as well as Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, the Czech Republic, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), South Africa (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), Bangladesh, Japan, Senegal, Cuba, Lebanon, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Chile.

Organization of work

The Chairperson announced that Ms. Sarah Paterson, Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, would coordinate the consultations on the traditional Chairperson's draft resolution on "Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women".

The Committee was reminded that action would be taken on the draft resolutions contained in documents A/C.3/55/L.2 and L.6 on Tuesday, 10 October, at 3 p.m.

On the proposal of the Chairperson, the Committee agreed to regularize its procedures for taking action on draft proposals by assigning part of one day each week (3 p.m. every Thursday) for that purpose.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement on A/C.3/55/L.7.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 11th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [122]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kenya, Ecuador, Bhutan, Lithuania, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Kuwait, Honduras, Suriname (on behalf of the CARICOM countries), Viet Nam, Nepal, Myanmar and Gabon.

The Chairman of the Committee on Contributions made a concluding statement and replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on Wednesday, 11 October, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Mr. Frank Smyth (Ireland).

Organization of work

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to the proposed programme of work for the week of 9-13 October.

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia, Cuba, the Syrian Arab Republic, Egypt, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United States, China and Bangladesh.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement and replied to questions raised.

The Chairman took note of the comments made by delegations and announced that the Bureau would review the proposed programme of work and that a revised programme of work would be circulated in the afternoon.

12th meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [169]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kenya, Ecuador, Malaysia, Indonesia, Bhutan, Poland, Lithuania, Uruguay, Colombia (on behalf of the RIO Group), Qatar, Chile, Suriname (on behalf of the CARICOM countries), the Republic of Moldova, the Philippines, Nepal, Cuba, and Thailand.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would be held on Thursday, 12 October, in the morning, under the chairmanship of H.E. Dr. Movses Abelian (Armenia).

Following a suspension of the meeting, the Committee resumed its consideration of the question of the letter from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/55/2).

The representative of Portugal, Rapporteur of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on this question, informed the Committee on the results of informal consultations.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, France (on behalf of the European Union), Brazil, Colombia (on behalf of the RIO Group), Canada and Côte d'Ivoire.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 6 OCTOBER 2000

669th meeting

Future meetings [9]

The Committee considered the item in closed session.

Other matters [10]

The Committee adopted the report (CRC/C/100) on its twenty-fifth session.

The Chairperson then declared the twenty-fifth session of the Committee closed.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Ratification. Luxembourg (5 October 2000)*

Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982. New York, 28 July 1994

Ratification: Luxembourg (5 October 2000)*

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks. New York, 4 August 1995

Ratification: Luxembourg (5 October 2000)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Amendments to articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 16 May 1998

Acceptance: France (5 October 2000)*

Amendment to article 7 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. Geneva, 20 May 1965

Acceptance: France (5 October 2000)*

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Accession. Trinidad and Tobago (5 October 2000)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Film screening

Two special screenings of the edited 40-minute version of the documentary film "A Force More Powerful: A Century of Nonviolent Conflict" will take place on Tuesday, 10 October 2000, at 1 p.m. and at 6:15 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The Secretary-General will attend the 1 p.m. screening, which will be followed by a brief discussion featuring three panellists. Mr. Steve York, producer and writer, and Mr. Peter Ackerman, Series Editor, will introduce the film. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 2000 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Lesotho
H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela

Asian States:
Bangladesh
H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury

Eastern European States:
Slovakia
H.E. Mr. Peter Tomka

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Belize
H.E. Mr. Stuart Leslie

Western European and other States:
Turkey
H.E. Mr. Umit Pamir

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